
Unit 9

(See Unit 9 map)

This unit consists of the Alaska Peninsula and adjacent islands including drainages east of False Pass, Pacific Ocean drainages west of and excluding the Redoubt Creek drainage, drainages into the south side of Bristol Bay, drainages into the north side of Bristol Bay east of Etolin Point, and including the Sanak and Shumagin islands.

Unit 9(A) consists of that portion of Unit 9 draining into Shelikof Strait and Cook Inlet between the southern boundary of Unit 16 (Redoubt Creek) and the northern boundary of Katmai National Park and Preserve.

Unit 9(B) consists of the Kvichak River drainage.

Unit 9(C) consists of the Alagnak (Branch) River drainage, the Naknek River drainage, and all land and water within Katmai National Park and Preserve.

Unit 9(D) consists of all Alaska Peninsula drainages west of a line from the southernmost head of Port Moller to the head of American Bay including the Shumagin Islands and other islands of Unit 9 west of the Shumagin Islands.

Unit 9(E) consists of the remainder of Unit 9.

Special Provisions:

- In the **Naknek Controlled Use Area** the use of motorized vehicles, excluding aircraft, boats, or snowmobiles used for hunting and for transporting a hunter or harvested animal parts, is prohibited from Aug. 1–Nov. 30. The area includes all of Unit 9(C) within the Naknek River drainage upstream from and including the King Salmon Creek drainage; however, this restriction does not apply to a motorized vehicle on the Naknek-King Salmon, Lake Camp, and Rapids Camp roads and on the King Salmon Creek trail, and on frozen surfaces of the Naknek River and Big Creek.
- A firearm may be used under a trapping license to take beaver in Unit 9(B) from April 1–May 31, and in the remainder of Unit 9 from April 1–April 30. However, taking beaver with a firearm using a trapping license is prohibited on National Park Service lands.
- Residents of Newhalen, Nondalton, Iliamna, Pedro Bay, and Port Alsworth may take a total of 10 bull moose in Unit 9(B) for ceremonial purposes by Federal registration permit from July 1–June 30. Up to 10 permits will be issued by Lake Clark National Park in Port Alsworth only at the request of local organizations.
- The **Western Alaska Brown Bear Management Area** is open to brown bear hunting by State registration permit in lieu of a resident tag. The Area consists of Unit 9(B) except that portion within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve, Unit 17, Unit 18 and that portion of Unit 19 (A) and (B) downstream of and including the Aniak River drainage. No resident tag is required for taking brown bears in the Western Alaska Brown Bear Management Area, provided that the hunter has obtained a State registration permit prior to hunting. See page 21 for sealing requirements.
- In Unit 9(B), Lake Clark National Park and Preserve, residents of Nondalton, Iliamna, Newhalen, Pedro Bay and Port Alsworth may hunt brown bear by Federal registration permit in lieu of a resident tag. Ten permits will be available. At least 1 permit will be issued in each community, but no more than 5 per community.
- Katmai National Park is closed to all subsistence uses.
- For Units 9(C), (D), and (E) only, a Federally-qualified subsistence user (recipient) of Units 9(C) and (E) may designate another Federally-qualified subsistence user of Units 9(C) and (E) to take bull caribou on his or her behalf unless the recipient is a member of a community operating under a community harvest system. The designated hunter must obtain a designated hunter permit and must return a completed harvest report and turn over all meat to the recipient. There is no restriction on the number of possession limits the designated hunter may have in his/her possession at any one time. For Unit 9(D), a Federally qualified subsistence user (recipient) may designate another Federally-qualified subsistence user to take caribou on his or her behalf unless the recipient is a member of a community operating under a community harvest system. The designated hunter must obtain a designated hunter permit and must return a completed harvest report. The designated hunter may hunt for any number of recipients but may have no more than four harvest limits in his/her possession at any one time.

- The communities of False Pass, King Cove, Cold Bay, Sand Point, and Nelson Lagoon annually may each take, from October 1 through December 31 or May 10 through May 25, one brown bear for ceremonial purposes, under the terms of a Federal registration permit. A permit will be issued to an individual only at the request of a local organization. The brown bear may be taken from either Unit 9(D) or Unit 10 (Unimak Island) only. See page 21 for sealing requirements.
- For subsistence harvest, national parks, monuments and preserves are open only to National Park Service qualified subsistence users. Subsistence users must be local rural residents of National Park Service areas. For more information, contact the National Park Service office in Anchorage, Alaska (telephone (907) 644-3423).
- All edible meat from caribou and moose harvested in Unit 9(B) prior to October 1 must remain on the bones of the front quarters and hind quarters until the meat is removed from the field or is processed for human consumption.

An “All rural residents” designation in the following customary and traditional use determinations means that a specific determination has not yet been made.

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SPECIES/CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION

HARVEST LIMITS

OPEN SEASONS

BISON		
• No Federal subsistence priority		No Federal open season
BLACK BEAR		
• Units 9(A) and 9(B)—Residents of Units 9(A), 9(B) and 17(A), (B), and (C).	3 bears	July 1–June 30
• Unit 9—Remainder—All rural residents		
BROWN BEAR		
• Unit 9(A)—Residents of Pedro Bay	Unit 9(B)—Lake Clark National Park and Preserve—Rural residents of Nondalton, Iliamna, Newhalen, Pedro Bay, and Port Alsworth only—1 bear by Federal registration permit only. The season will be closed when four females or ten bears have been taken, whichever occurs first.	July 1–June 30
• Unit 9(B)—Residents of Unit 9(B)		
• Units 9(C)—Residents of 9(C)		
• Unit 9(D)—Residents of Units 9(D) and 10 (Unimak Island)		
• Unit 9(E)—Residents of Chignik, Chignik Lagoon, Chignik Lake, Egegik, Ivanof Bay, Perryville, Pilot Point, Ugashik, and Port Heiden/Meshik	Unit 9(B) Remainder—1 bear by State registration permit only	Sept. 1–May 31
	Unit 9(E)—1 bear by Federal registration permit only.	Sept. 25–Dec. 31 Apr. 15–May 25
	Units 9(A), 9(C), 9(D) <i>See Special Provisions</i>	No Federal open season

*Federal permits may be obtained from:
Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife
Refuge, King Salmon; Lake Clark National Park
and Preserve, Port Alsworth; Katmai National
Park and Preserve, King Salmon.
(See directory for complete addresses)*

SPECIES/CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION

HARVEST LIMITS

OPEN SEASONS

CARIBOU

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Units 9(A) and 9(B)—Residents of Units 9(B), 9(C) and 17 Unit 9(C)—Residents of Units 9(B), 9(C), 17 and residents of Egegik Unit 9(D)—Residents of Unit 9(D) and residents of False Pass and Akutan Unit 9(E)—Residents of Units 9(B), 9(C), 9(E), 17 and residents of Nelson Lagoon and Sand Point <p><i>Federal permits may be issued in conjunction with the State Tier II hunt. The total number of permits to be issued for both subunits will be agreed upon by both Federal and State agencies to insure that the actual harvest will not significantly exceed the harvestable surplus.</i></p> <p><i>For Federal designated hunter permits, contact the local Federal land manager, listed in the directory.</i></p>	Unit 9(A)—4 caribou; however, no more than 2 caribou may be taken Aug. 10–Sept. 30 and no more than 1 caribou may be taken Oct. 1–Nov. 30	Aug. 10–Mar. 31
	Unit 9(B)—5 caribou; however, no more than 2 bulls may be taken from Oct. 1–Nov. 30	Aug. 1–Apr. 15
	Unit 9(C)—that portion within the Alagnak River drainage—1 caribou	Aug. 1–Mar. 31
	Unit 9(C), remainder—1 bull by Federal registration permit or State Tier II permit. Federal public lands are closed to the taking of caribou except by residents of Units 9(C) and (E).	Aug. 10–Sept. 20 Nov. 15–Feb. 28
	Unit 9(D)—1 caribou by Federal registration permit	Aug. 1–Sept. 30 Nov. 15–Mar. 31
	Unit 9(E)—1 bull by Federal registration permit or State Tier II permit. Federal public lands are closed to the taking of caribou except by residents of Units 9(C) and (E).	Aug. 10–Sept. 20 Nov. 1–Apr. 30

SHEEP

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 9(B)—Residents of Iliamna, Newhalen, Nondalton, Pedro Bay, and Port Alsworth, and residents of Lake Clark National Park and Preserve within Unit 9(B) Unit 9—Remainder—All rural residents <p><i>Federal permits may be obtained from Lake Clark National Park and Preserve, Port Alsworth.</i></p>	Unit 9(B)—residents of Iliamna, Newhalen, Nondalton, Pedro Bay, and Port Alsworth and residents of Lake Clark National Park and Preserve within Unit 9(B)—1 ram with 7/8 curl horn by Federal registration permit only.	Aug. 10–Oct. 10
	Remainder of Unit 9—1 ram with 7/8 curl horn.	Aug. 10–Sept. 20

MOOSE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Units 9(A), 9(B), 9(C) and 9(E)—Residents of Units 9(A), 9(B), 9(C) and 9(E) Unit 9(D)—Residents of Cold Bay, False Pass, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon, and Sand Point 	Unit 9(A)—1 bull	Sept. 1–Sept. 15
	Unit 9(B)—1 bull	Aug. 20–Sept. 15 Dec. 1–Jan. 15
	Unit 9(C)—that portion draining into the Naknek River from the north—1 bull	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 Dec. 1–Dec. 31
	Unit 9(C)—that portion draining into the Naknek River from the south—1 bull. However, during the period Aug. 20–Aug. 31, bull moose may be taken by Federal registration	

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MOOSE *(continued)*

permit only. During the December hunt, antlerless moose may be taken by Federal registration permit only. The antlerless season will be closed when 5 antlerless moose have been taken. Federal public lands are closed during December for the hunting of moose, except by rural Alaska residents of Units 9(A), 9(B), 9(C) and 9(E).

Aug. 20–Sept. 15
Dec. 1–Dec. 31

Remainder of Unit 9(C)—1 bull

Sept. 1–Sept. 15
Dec. 15–Jan. 15

Federal permits may be obtained from the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge, Cold Bay, Alaska for Unit 9D moose hunt. (See directory for complete address)

Unit 9(D)—1 bull by Federal registration permit. Federal public lands will be closed to the harvest of moose when a total of 10 bulls have been harvested between State and Federal hunts.

Dec. 15–Jan. 20

Unit 9(E)—1 bull

Aug. 20–Sept. 20
Dec. 1–Jan. 20

COYOTE

- All rural residents

2 coyotes

Sept. 1–Apr. 30

FOX, ARCTIC (Blue and White)

- All rural residents

No limit

Dec. 1–Mar. 15

FOX, RED (including Cross, Black and Silver Phases)

- All rural residents

2 foxes

Sept. 1–Feb. 15

HARE (Snowshoe and Tundra)

- All rural residents

No limit

July 1–June 30

LYNX

- All rural residents

2 lynx

Nov. 10–Feb. 28

WOLF

- Rural residents of Units 6, 9, 10 (Unimak Island only), 11-13 and the residents of Chickaloon, and 16-26

10 wolves

Aug. 10–Apr. 30

WOLVERINE

- All rural residents

1 wolverine

Sept. 1–Mar. 31

GROUSE (Spruce)

- All rural residents

15 per day, 30 in possession

Aug. 10–Apr. 30

PTARMIGAN (Rock, Willow, and White-tailed)

- All rural residents

20 per day, 40 in possession

Aug. 10–Apr. 30

SPECIES/CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL

USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
BEAVER		
• Residents of Units 9(A), (B), (C), (E) and 17	No limit	Oct. 10–Mar. 31
	2 beaver per day; only firearms may be used.	Apr. 15–May. 31
COYOTE		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
FOX, ARCTIC (Blue and White)		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
FOX, RED (including Cross, Black and Silver Phases)		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
LYNX		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
MARTEN		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
MINK AND WEASEL		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
MUSKRAT		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–June 10
OTTER		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
WOLF		
• Rural residents of Units 6, 9, 10 (Unimak Island only), 11-13 and the residents of Chickaloon, and 16-26	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
WOLVERINE		
• All rural residents	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28